

17th December 2021

Dear Parents,

As another challenging year ends, I would like to take the opportunity to thank you once again for all the support you have afforded the school and to me personally. Your children have been simply amazing, working hard and remaining cheerful throughout the disruption of this last year. Thank you to all staff who have worked incredibly hard throughout the last term. They have been doing all sorts of jobs to ensure that we could stay open, particularly more recently due to significant absences caused by Covid-19. I wish those staff, who are absent and are not very well, a speedy recovery so that they can enjoy their Christmas break.

I have loved watching all the Christmas performance videos. I know your children have thoroughly enjoyed participating. There certainly has been a lovely Christmas atmosphere around school; a sprinkling of magic as well as the mischievous antics from visiting elves.

Covid-19 update

There is much speculation in the press regarding school closures in January. We have not had any information to suggest that anyone is considering closing schools. I have reviewed contingency plans and I am confident we have appropriate arrangements in place. As things stand, I am looking forward to welcoming all children back to school on **Wednesday 5th January 2022**. If the situation changes, I will contact you as soon as possible.

In the meantime, the local authority have requested that I continue to let them know about positive cases of children and staff up to and including Sunday 19th December. If your child has a positive PCR test during this time, please email:

admin@northburn.northumberland.sch.uk

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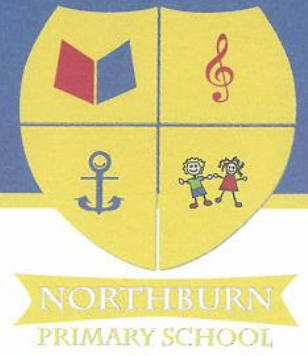
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Advice for parents and carers from Thinkuknow: the CEOP Education Team

Lots of us will continue to rely on technology over the winter break for entertainment and keeping in touch with friends and family.

The CEOP Education Team have asked that I share the following articles with you:

A guide to privacy settings.

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/articles/a-parents-guide-to-privacy-settings/>

Gaming: what parents need to know.

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/articles/gaming/>

What is the Internet of Things (IoT)?

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/articles/what-is-the-internet-of-things-iot/>

I wish you and your children an enjoyable and safe Christmas.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Clare Scott'.

Clare Scott

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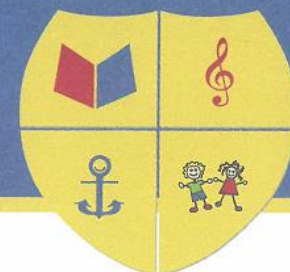
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